IFB 2001-21

Responses to Questions received after the Pre-Bidders Conf:

1) Definition of non-volatile Memory, i.e. length of time System will or must retain memory.

Response: A minimum of 30 days.

2) Paragraph of IFB 2001-021, Response Format, would it be acceptable to provide our reference material such as product catalogs and manuals on CD?

Response: A CD would NOT be acceptable. All reference material should be in paper format and specifically reference what section of the IFB that it applies to.

Appendix A, Price Schedule, In Appendix A.I.1. the configurations are titled as Number of Digital Stations, Number CO Lines and Number Intercom Paths and the Price Schedule A. requests unit pricing for Base Unit Telephone System Price and unit pricing for different types and sets and equipment. I would like to clarify that the pricing requested under A. Price Schedule is a Base Unit that can meet the requirement such as 8 stations, 2 CO Lines and 1 Intercom Path is for the control system and that the sets are priced separately below on a per unit basis.

Response: Your statement/clarification is correct.

4) Does a vendor have to respond to those sections labeled optional?

Response: Yes

5) Is each section in the pricing section evaluated independently, for example if you have the lowest total for A. you are awarded A or are all sections totaled and the award based on that total?

Response: As indicated in the Pre-Bidders Conference, the bids will be evaluated by a "Market Basket" of items that are in the price schedule. Please refer to paragraph 2. of the IFB for further details.

6) Can different vendors be awarded separate sections if their price is the lowest for that section?

Response: No, but there will be multiple awards in various parts of the state based on the "Market Basket" evaluation. Refer to paragraph 4. of the IFB for further details regarding method of awards.